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SUBJECT: SIERRA LEONE: 62ND UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY -  
HIGH-LEVEL ATTENDANCE AND REQUESTS FOR MEETINGS

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¶1. (SBU) On July 24, the Ambassador delivered reftel demarche to Ministry of Foreign Affairs Director General Ambassador Umaru Wurie. Sierra Leone will hold its presidential election on August 11. The official result from the election is expected on August 23. If no presidential candidate receives 55 percent of the vote, there will be a runoff election on or around September 8. Post will provide updates and continue to inquire about possible attendees once the new president has been announced.

¶2. (SBU) MFA Permanent Secretary Andrew Bangali, who also attended the meeting, indicated that he expects to be part of the delegation regardless of who wins the presidential election. Post will provide more specific travel information for Mr. Bangali septel.  
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